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1845-1900

1044-1000 S. Charles St. (West side)

Baltimore, Md.

Private and semi-public access

The houses that were originally built along this side of S. Charles St. in the late 1840's were built either as two story plus attic, two bay wide brick houses, or three story, two bay wide brick houses, both with gable roofs. Most served a combination residential/commercial function. A number of these original houses have survived in close to their original exterior form, but many were remodeled after the Civil War and now have shed roofs and bracketed cornices. 1026 S. Charles St. is particularly noteworthy for its surviving Victorian-style shopfront with cast iron corner columns. The original group of gable-roofed houses that stood at 1000-1010 S. Charles St. was replaced in 1900 by a large three story, five bay wide, brown brick department store with Classical Revival details (Wessel's Department store) which now serves as a supermarket.

# MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST

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## INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

### 1 NAME

HISTORIC

AND/OR COMMON

### 2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

CITY, TOWN 1044 S. Charles St.

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

Baltimore VICINITY OF

STATE Maryland COUNTY

### 3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	PRESENT USE
<input type="checkbox"/> DISTRICT	<input type="checkbox"/> PUBLIC	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OCCUPIED	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE <input type="checkbox"/> MUSEUM
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> BUILDING(S)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE	<input type="checkbox"/> UNOCCUPIED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> COMMERCIAL <input type="checkbox"/> PARK
<input type="checkbox"/> STRUCTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> BOTH	<input type="checkbox"/> WORK IN PROGRESS	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATIONAL <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE RESIDENCE
<input type="checkbox"/> SITE	<b>PUBLIC ACQUISITION</b>	<b>ACCESSIBLE</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> ENTERTAINMENT <input type="checkbox"/> RELIGIOUS
<input type="checkbox"/> OBJECT	<input type="checkbox"/> IN PROCESS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES: RESTRICTED	<input type="checkbox"/> GOVERNMENT <input type="checkbox"/> SCIENTIFIC
	<input type="checkbox"/> BEING CONSIDERED	<input type="checkbox"/> YES: UNRESTRICTED	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRIAL <input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION
		<input type="checkbox"/> NO	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY <input type="checkbox"/> OTHER:

### 4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME

Telephone #:

STREET & NUMBER

CITY, TOWN

VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

### 5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC. Records Office Room 601

Liber #:

Folio #:

STREET & NUMBER

Baltimore City Courthouse

CITY, TOWN

Baltimore

STATE

Maryland 21202

### 6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

DATE

☐ FEDERAL ☐ STATE ☐ COUNTY ☐ LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

**7 DESCRIPTION**

CONDITION		CHECK ONE	CHECK ONE
<input type="checkbox"/> EXCELLENT	<input type="checkbox"/> DETERIORATED	<input type="checkbox"/> UNALTERED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ORIGINAL SITE
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> GOOD	<input type="checkbox"/> RUINS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ALTERED	<input type="checkbox"/> MOVED      DATE _____
<input type="checkbox"/> FAIR	<input type="checkbox"/> UNEXPOSED		

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

This three story, three bay brick building with shed roof and bracketed cornice represents either a replacement or an enlargement of the gable roofed house that was built on this site in the 1840's and formed part of a group of such houses extending along this side of Charles St. The first floor area of the building has been converted into a store-front.

The building is three stories in height, 17'10" wide, and occupies a lot 74' deep. The building occupies the north-west corner of Charles and Cross Streets and extends back on Cross St. for four bays. There is a three story high, four bay deep rear addition extending further back along Cross St. The building is constructed in running bond. The shed roof is capped by a wooden cornice consisting of a deeply projecting crown molding set above panels decorated with scroll-sawed motifs and bordered along their lower edge by a row of quarter-round carvings. Four grooved brackets, with a fifth around the corner on the Cross St. facade, support the cornice and connect it to a lower molding strip decorated with a row of cut-work scallops. The brick freize area thus formed is punctuated by three scroll-sawed ventilating panels.

The second and third story window openings have splayed brick lintels and wood sills. The second story windows are filled with the original 2/2 double hung sash; the third story windows are filled with 1/2 sash. The first floor area has been converted into a store-front consisting of a central glass and panel door flanked by two, stepped-back, four-sided plate glass shop windows set on aluminum bases. An aluminum siding cornice/sign area extends across the width of the store-front on Charles St. and back along Charles St. for one bay's width. The entrance is reached directly from the sidewalk.

**8 SIGNIFICANCE**

PERIOD		AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW				
<input type="checkbox"/> PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING	<input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGION		
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> CONSERVATION	<input type="checkbox"/> LAW	<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENCE		
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> ECONOMICS	<input type="checkbox"/> LITERATURE	<input type="checkbox"/> SCULPTURE		
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input type="checkbox"/> SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN		
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> ART	<input type="checkbox"/> ENGINEERING	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSIC	<input type="checkbox"/> THEATER		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCE	<input type="checkbox"/> EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> PHILOSOPHY	<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION		
<input type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY	<input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)		
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION				

SPECIFIC DATES 1845-51 (orig.)/enl.1870's BUILDER/ARCHITECT Henry Strube

## STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

This large building is representative of a fairly large number of houses in the Federal Hill area that were originally built in the 1840's and 1850's as gable-roofed houses, but which were remodeled after the Civil War in the currently fashionable Victorian style, with the gable roof being rebuilt as a shed roof and a modern bracketed cornice added. The house was enlarged and remodeled by Edward Kelly who first acquired the property in 1866 and by 1870 was operating a grocery at this location. In the 1880's and 1890's Kelly operated a dairy here and also owned the adjoining property to the west which seems to have been part of his dairy operation.<sup>1</sup>

The house was originally built as a two story plus attic house by Henry Strube as part of his development of the north-west corner of Charles and Cross Streets. The house seems originally to have been built primarily as a residence but it became a combination residential/commercial property under Kelly's ownership.

<sup>1</sup> Baltimore City Land Records, LiberAM 324, Folio 122; Baltimore City Directory, 1867-8, 1870, 1877, 1885, 1895

**9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES**

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

**10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA**ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY 17'10" x 74'

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE

COUNTY

STATE

COUNTY

**11 FORM PREPARED BY**

NAME / TITLE

M.E. Hayward / Historic Sites Surveyor

ORGANIZATION

DATE

Maryland Historical Trust / Struever Bros. & Eccles5/79

STREET &amp; NUMBER

TELEPHONE

1745 Circle Rd.

CITY OR TOWN

STATE

RuxtonMaryland 21204

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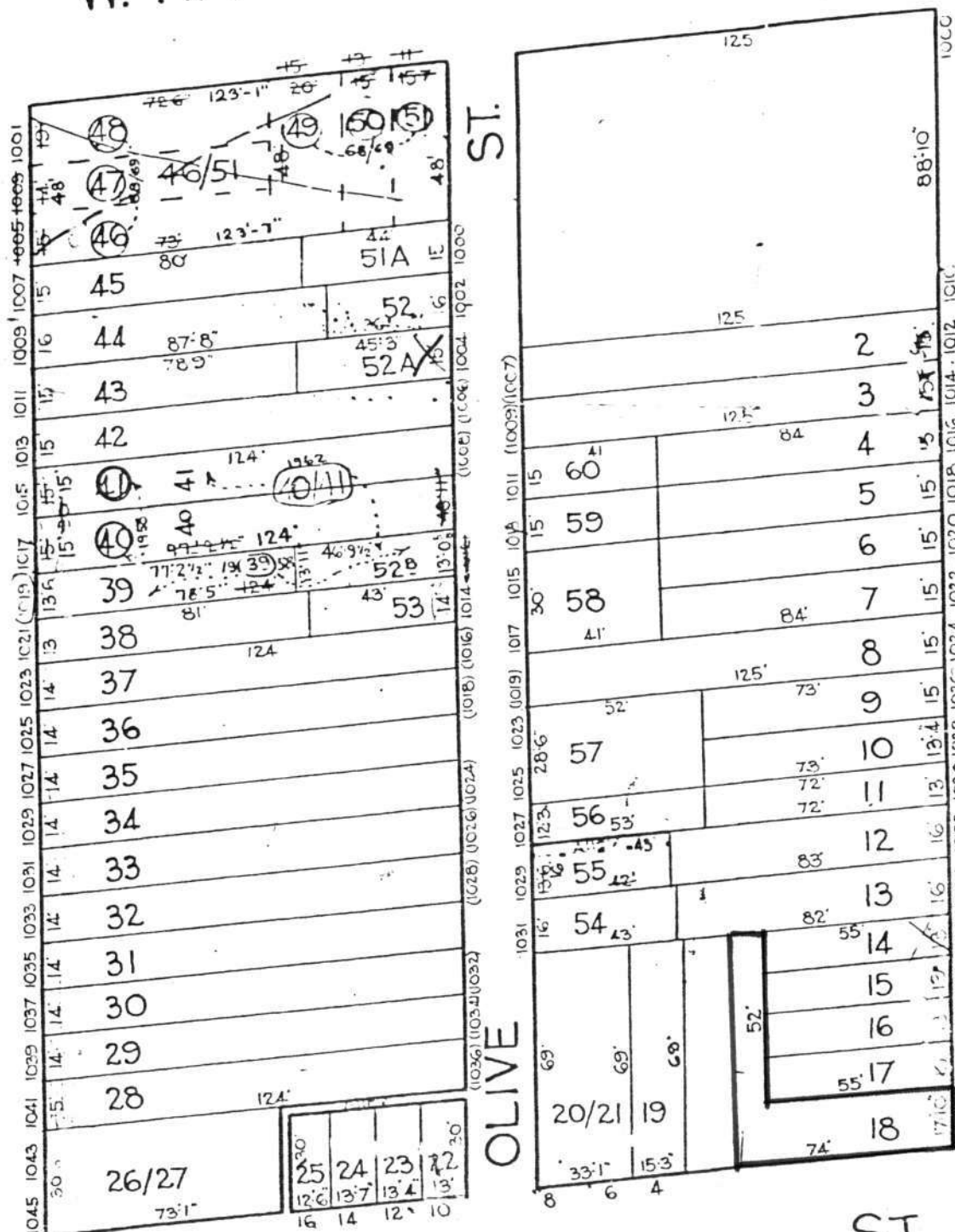
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PROPERTY LC

WARD 23  
BLOCK  
SCALE 1 IN. = 50 FT.



B-3287  
1044 S. Charles Street  
Block 0933 Lot 017  
Baltimore City  
Baltimore East Quad.







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1044 S. Charles St.

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East and south elevations